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BY-PASS UNDER CONSTRUCTION
PHONG BAI AREA, NORTH VIETNAM
1922N - 10544E

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE CONTINUING EFFORT BY THE NORTH VIETNAMESE TO NEGATE THE EFFECTS OF AIR STRIKES AGAINST DRV TRANSPORTATION NETS.

2. REMARKS:

THIS BY-PASS, WHEN COMPLETED, COULD BE USED TO BY-PASS THE LAN TRA HIGHWAY BRIDGE OVER THE SONG CUA AT 1921N - 10543E [] AND THE LAN TRA HIGHWAY BRIDGE NORTH OVER A SONG CUA TRIBUTARY AT 1922N - 10544E [] BOTH OF THESE BRIDGES ARE ON ROUTE 1A, A PRIME TARGET FOR AIR STRIKES.

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3. MISSION READOUT:

UE 643A/2, 16 JANUARY 1966, REVEALS A NEW, SINGLE-LANE, NATURAL SURFACE ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION 1.5 NM NORTHEAST OF PHONG BAI AND JUST EAST OF ROUTE 1A. AN UNNUMBERED ROAD JOINS ROUTE 1A AT 1921N - 10544E (UTM WG766400). THE BY-PASS IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION FROM THIS UNNUMBERED ROAD TO A JUNCTION WITH ROUTE 1A AT 1922N - 10544E (UTM WG775420). A PONTOON BRIDGE IS OBSERVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION ON THE BY-PASS ROAD AT 1922N - 10544E (UTM WG779419). ONE PONTOON SECTION IS IN PLACE AND TWO

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ADDITIONAL PONTOON SECTIONS ARE LOCATED IN THE RIVER NEAR THE BRIDGE
SITE.

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